

Storm preparations, Glendora, Los Angeles County

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Note: Report updates are in blue



# **SITUATION SUMMARY**

# National News - Significant Events

# Armed Oregon Protesters Urged to Leave as Standoff Enters Fourth Day

(NBC) An armed occupation of a federally owned wildlife outpost in remote Oregon rolled into its fourth day Tuesday, even after the two men at the center of the unrest disavowed the protest. The group, which calls itself the Citizens for Constitutional Freedom, seized the headquarters of the Malheur National Wildlife Refuge on Saturday. It was empty at the time because of the holidays. They have been calling for the release of Dwight Hammond, 73, and his son Steven, 46, two ranchers who were convicted of setting fires that spread to government land. The occupiers have also vowed to remain in the building until federally owned land is returned "back to the people." The ringleaders are Ammon and Ryan Bundy — sons of Cliven Bundy, the Nevada rancher known for another standoff with the federal government in 2014. The FBI, which is leading the response, said Sunday night it wants a "peaceful" end to the standoff. Law enforcement officials have not attempted to take back the isolated building but local schools have shut their doors until next week and residents have been warned to keep their distance. The protesters have remained at the reserve even after the Hammonds, who turned themselves in at the federal prison in San Pedro, California, on Monday afternoon, appeared to disavow the occupation. The Hammonds' lawyers said they plan to appeal to President Barack Obama for executive clemency, but stated that "neither Ammon Bundy nor anyone within his group/organization speak for the Hammond family." This sentiment was reinforced Monday by the Oregon Cattlemen's Association, which said that while it supported the Hammonds "via avenues that are in accordance with the law," the association did "not support illegal activity taken against the government," referencing the Bundys' occupation. Harney County Sheriff Dave Ward said that the occupiers were no longer welcome in the community. "The Hammonds have turned themselves in," he said. "It is time for you to leave our community. Go home, be with your own families and end this peacefully."

# <u>International News – Significant Events</u>

# South China Sea tensions surge as China lands plane on artificial island

(Reuters) China's first landing of a plane on one of its new island runways in the South China Sea shows Beijing's facilities in the disputed region are being completed on schedule and military flights will inevitably follow, foreign officials and analysts said. China's increasing military presence in the disputed sea could effectively lead to a Beijing-controlled air defense zone, they said, ratcheting up tensions with other claimants and with the United States in one of the world's most volatile areas. China has confirmed that a test flight by a civilian plane landed on an artificial island built in the Spratlys, the first time Beijing has used a runway in the area. Vietnam said the plane landed on Jan 2 and launched a formal diplomatic protest, while Philippines Foreign Ministry spokesman Charles Jose said Manila was planning to do the same. Both have claims to the area that overlap with China. "That's the fear, that China will be able take control of the South China Sea and it will affect the freedom of navigation and freedom of overflight," Jose told reporters. In Washington, State Department spokesman John Kirby said China's landing of the plane "raises tensions and threatens regional stability." Senator John McCain, the chairman of the influential U.S. Senate Armed Services Committee, criticized the Obama administration for delaying further "freedom of navigation" patrols within 12 nautical miles of the islands built by China. China has been building runways on the artificial islands for over a year, and the plane's landing was not a surprise.

# **SITUATION SUMMARY**

### **Activations**

 Ventura County activated their Emergency Operations Center (EOC) as of 0600 hours 01/05/15 as planned in response to the winter storms.

### Train Derailment, SPILL: 16-0060

- On 01/05/15 at 0608 hours the California State Warning Center (CSWC) received a report of a train derailment in Stockton, San Joaquin County. SPILL: 16-0060.
- Locomotive ID #UP0636 of Train ID #YST41R of the 4th, derailed in the yard in the upright position.
- · No hazmat release or injuries to crew reported.
- The incident is under investigation and there is no impact to main line operations. Rerail will be conducted by UP personnel.

### **Weather of Concern**

#### Northern California

- A series of storms will be impacting Northern California this week.
  - The initial storm of the series is presently moving through Northern California and is producing moderate to heavy rain, gusty winds and snow above about 4000 to 5000 feet.
  - The initial front currently extends down the Sacramento Valley to the Bay Area, and then offshore with general rainfall rates of around a tenth to a quarter inch an hour being observed.
  - Southeasterly winds have been gusting up to around 30 mph ahead of the front.

# Southern California

- A series of storm systems are expected to impact Southern California late tonight through Friday.
  - A strong but fast-moving storm is forecast to cross the area through this afternoon, with widespread rain and mountain snow above 6.000 feet.
  - Significant snow of 1 to 2 feet with strong winds could create winter storm conditions above 7,000 feet.
  - This system will also bring the potential for brief higher intensity rainfall rates which could bring a threat of flash flooding and debris flows to recent burn areas.
  - Additional storms will likely impact the region between Wednesday and Friday.
  - These appear to be colder systems with snow levels potentially falling to around 4000 feet at times possibly impacting Interstate-5
    near the Grapevine.
  - There will also be the potential for brief heavy downpours and isolated thunderstorms later in the week.
  - Periods of gusty winds through next week will bring the potential for downed trees and power outages.

# **Active Weather Warnings, Watches and Advisories by County:**

http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/sto/brief/wwa bc cal.php



# **SITUATION SUMMARY**

<u>Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought</u>
 SOC / Inland REOC remains activated in support of 2014 Drought



# **WEATHER**

### **WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:**

#### NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AND CENTRAL COASTAL AREAS:

#### **Eureka Weather:**

A series of offshore low pressure systems and frontal boundaries will produce periods of precipitation across the region through the week.

#### **Medford Weather:**

A broad and ill-defined upper trough remains offshore this morning and is sending waves of energy and moisture our way. One surge in moisture is moving ashore right now and precipitation rates are increasing over much of Northern California and along the Curry Coast and adjacent mountains. Snow levels are being forced down even further around Mount Shasta due to the increasing precipitation rates, and this will continue to produce moderate to heavy snow in the area through mid-morning.

#### Reno Weather:

A more active storm pattern will set up across the region this week with periods of impact to travel, especially across the Sierra. At this time, the greatest impacts will be today and Wednesday as a couple of stronger storms bring more widespread and moderate snowfall potential.

#### San Francisco Weather:

A cold front into the morning will produce heavy rain and locally strong winds. Another strong storm with heavy rain and even stronger winds is expected on Wednesday. More showers will follow on Thursday.

# **WEATHER**

### **WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:**

#### CENTRAL CALIFORNIA AND SOUTHERN SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY:

#### Sacramento Weather:

Unsettled weather this week with several systems moving through the area accompanied by rain, wind and mountain snow. Initial storm will continue today before tapering to showers tonight. Next storm moves in Wednesday with another shot of rain, gusty winds and mountain snow. Showery weather continues Thursday before tapering off Friday.

#### **Hanford Weather:**

A strong Pacific storm system will bring rain and mountain snow to area through this Tuesday evening. A succession of storm systems tracking Eastward from the Pacific will follow and bring wet weather at times to much of the Central California interior for the remainder of the week.

#### **SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA:**

### Los Angeles Weather:

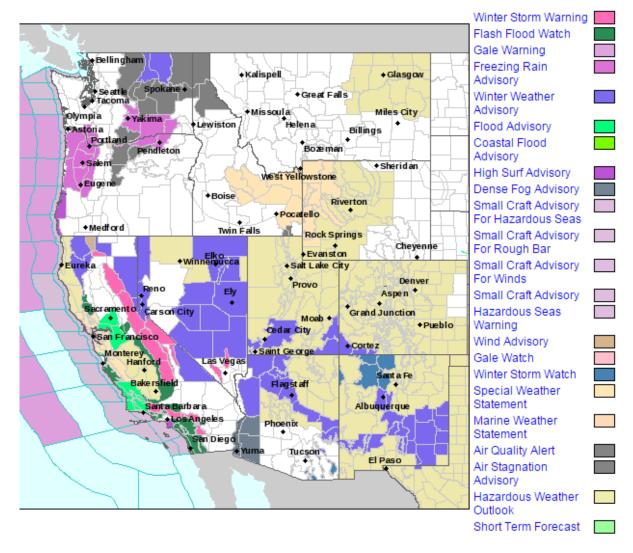
A series of storms will bring widespread rain isolated thunderstorms mountain snow and gusty Southerly winds at times through the week. Colder air aloft will build into the region lowering snow levels to near the Tejon Pass over the Grapevine Wednesday night through Friday.

Extreme Southwestern California including Orange, San Diego, Western Riverside and Southwestern San Bernardino Counties: A strong low latitude Pacific Jet Stream will bring a series of storms into Southern California into Sunday with periods of moderate to heavy precipitation, strong gusty winds and high surf at the beaches. There may be a period of dry weather from late Sunday into early Wednesday.

#### Southeast California Weather:

Anticipate scattered showers this morning before more numerous showers develop later today, with the next weather system in the series. Precipitation chances continue through Friday. Below normal high temperatures will continue as well. Conditions will start to dry out for the coming weekend...but temperatures will remain below seasonal norms.

# **WEATHER**



# **FIRE ACTIVITY**

# **Preparedness Levels**

**National Preparedness Level 1** 

### **Northern California**

Preparedness Level 1, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 2

### **Southern California**

Preparedness Level 2, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 2

# **California Fire Potential & Weather Maps**

# Southern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/8

# Northern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/10

# **California Fire Weather Map Watches and Warnings**

http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/firewx/main.php

# **NWS California River Forecast Center:**

http://www.cnrfc.noaa.gov/



# **CAL OES 2014 DROUGHT**

### Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought

- The SOC is activated in support of the Drought State of Emergency and continue to monitor the situation.
- The Governor issued Executive Order B-26-14 on 09/19/14, to streamline relief efforts for families with drinking water shortages due to drought, specifically through the California Disaster Assistance Act, to provide temporary water supplies to households without water for drinking and/or sanitation purposes.
- The Governor issued Executive Order B-29-15 on 04/01/15 which announced actions that will save water, increase enforcement to prevent wasteful water use, streamline the state's drought response and invest in new technologies to make California more drought resilient.
- CDAA 2014 Drought Fact Sheet and Frequently Asked Questions provided to Regions for reference and distribution.
- Cal OES Recovery continues to coordinate the Community Impacts Workgroup conference calls. Currently, the calls take place on alternating Wednesdays.
- Cal OES Recovery/Individual Assistance finalized an updated 2015 version of the drought brochure of programs and services
  for individuals, businesses, farmers, and ranchers. It has been put on the Governor's Drought webpage. State agencies may
  put the following link to the brochure on their webpage <a href="http://ca.gov/drought/pdf/Drought-Assistance-Brochure-2015.pdf">http://ca.gov/drought/pdf/Drought-Assistance-Brochure-2015.pdf</a>
- Cal OES Regions (Inland, Coastal, Southern) collective OA drought call is facilitated by the SOC and will be held once per month.



# **CAL OES 2014 DROUGHT**

# Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought

# **Local Emergency Proclamations:**

A total of 63 local Emergency Proclamations have been received to date from city, county, and tribal governments, as well as special districts:

- 29 Counties: Butte, Colusa, Calaveras, El Dorado, Fresno, Glenn, Inyo, Humboldt, Kern, Kings, Lake, Madera, Mariposa, Merced, Modoc, Plumas, San Bernardino, San Joaquin, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Shasta, Siskiyou, Sonoma, Stanislaus, Sutter, Trinity, Tulare, Tuolumne, and Yuba.
- 13 Cities: City of Live Oak (Sutter County), City of Lodi (San Joaquin County), City of Manteca (San Joaquin County), City of Montague (Siskiyou County), City of Porterville (Tulare County), City of Portola (Plumas County), City of Ripon (San Joaquin County), City of San Juan Bautista (San Benito County), City of Santa Barbara (Santa Barbara County), City of Rancho Cucamonga (San Bernardino County) and City of West Sacramento (Yolo County), City of Willits (Mendocino County), and City of Fort Bragg (Mendocino County).
- 9 Tribes: Cortina Indian Rancheria (Colusa County), Hoopa Valley Tribe (Humboldt County), Karuk Tribe (Siskiyou/Humboldt Counties), Kashia Band of Pomo Indians of the Stewarts Point Rancheria (Sonoma County), Picayune Rancheria of Chukchansi Indians (Madera County) Sherwood Valley Pomo Indian Tribe (Mendocino County), Tule River Indian Tribe (Tulare County), Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation (Yolo County), and Yurok Tribe (Humboldt County).
- 12 Special Districts: Carpinteria Valley Water District (Santa Barbara County), Goleta Water District (Santa Barbara County),
  Groveland Community Services District (Tuolumne County), Lake Don Pedro Community Services District (Mariposa
  Stanislaus County), Mariposa Public Utility District (Mariposa County), Meiners Oaks Water District (Ventura County),
  Montecito Water District (Santa Barbara County), Mountain House Community Service District (San Joaquin County), Nevada
  Irrigation District (Nevada County), Placer County Water Agency (Placer County), Tuolumne Utilities District (Tuolumne
  County), and Twain Harte Community Services District (Tuolumne County).



# Mission:

We protect lives and property, build capabilities, and support our communities for a resilient California.

We achieve our mission by serving the public through effective collaboration in preparing for, protecting against, responding to, recovering from, and mitigating the impacts of all hazards and threats.